The David Cole Holocaust Chronology

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TIMELINE

I first began reading “revisionist” literature in 1989. I go into the details of that process, the how and why, in my book, and honestly I don’t feel like repeating it here when I said it well enough there.

My years speaking publicly on the topic were 1992-1994. I did two national talk shows (Montel Williams and Phil Donahue), one pre-taped prime-time news show (48 Hours), and I was featured on another without my participation (Mike Wallace profiled me on 60 Minutes even though I refused to be interviewed because at that point - January 1994 - I realized it had been unwise to do talk shows at all, as it’s the absolute worst forum for intelligent discussion).

Sprinkled throughout ‘92 and ‘93 were maybe a dozen smaller, local radio and TV shows, plus the final iteration of the Morton Downey Jr. Show in ‘93 (this was his swan song period, after his national syndicator dropped him and he was “broadcasting” from a Palm Springs restaurant).

And then there was the 1992 video-for-hire I did for the Institute for Historical Review following my first of five Europe research trips (that video was edited September-October ‘92, but that’s a tale that deserves its own column).

So let’s skip to summer 1994. That’s when David Irving announced, at a conference at which we both spoke, that he’d authenticated the Goebbels Diary, and specifically the 1942 passages about Aktion Reinhard* and the mass liquidation of Polish Jewry.

*correct spelling : Aktion Reinhardt

I saw firsthand that the “revisionists,” most of whom I already had little respect for as I found them to be either blind ideologues or blindly stupid (Mark Weber being the sole exception), greeted Irving’s revelation as though it never happened. Business as usual! Even Irving acted like he’d forgotten what he said the moment after he said it, as if what remained of the objective historian inside him had compelled him to report his findings, but the part of him corrupted by the accolades and income from the deniers was like “okay, I paid tribute to honesty. Now let’s never speak of it again.”

Remember, I’m still in my early 20s here. I’m still *learning*. That’s no sin. And summer ‘94 was pivotal. How could we now discuss anything *but* the Reinhard extermination program, which was, and is, the very center of the Holocaust? But the “revisionists” had no interest.

October ‘94 I took another research trip to Europe, and I worked with anti-revisionist author Jean-Claude Pressac, who showed me the documentation

(blueprints, work orders, communiques) regarding the gassing of Jews at the Natzweiler-Struthof camp in Alsace, and I found it fully convincing. But the chamber itself - the physical evidence - was barred from public view by the French government (typically idiotic behavior by the mainstream paladins of history; the questionable Krema 1 at Auschwitz Main Camp is shown off like a high school trophy, whereas the completely authentic Struthof chamber is shut to the public).

It took two days of arguing, but I was finally able to get approval from the French government to explore the Struthof chamber (with a government-provided escort) and videotape my examination. And indeed, it was a legit gas chamber.

After I got back to the U.S. I wanted to publish my findings.

No takers.

The brave TROOTHY revisionists didn't wanna hear it. Denier extraordinaire Robert Faurisson had put the word out: I was never to be published again. I had found absolute proof of a Nazi gas chamber. Credit where it's due - I was merely building on Pressac's estimable research. But nobody had ever pushed as I did to get inside with a camera and document the room itself. I came back with footage nobody else had. Important historical footage.

But it was the wrong kind of footage for the "revisionists."

Remember, in '94 there were no blogs, no social media...most homes didn't have ANY Internet at all. You needed a hard-copy publisher to be heard on a national level.

Struthof was the last straw. The "revisionists" had ignored Irving's findings, and now they were ignoring mine. Two years of mixing with these guys had soured me on them for good.

COMPLEXITIES OF THE ERA

Again, you have to put yourself back in the pre-Internet era. You couldn't find everything about everything by clicking a mouse. You had to learn the long, hard way — meeting people, mixing with people, studying hard-copy documents. Today, there's so much online about deniers that meeting them in person isn't necessary. But in '92 you had to put in the hours. In that context, I don't think two years in the pre-Internet era was an unreasonably long period of time to get in and out of a particular group or movement. Especially because one of the challenges I faced back then was the dilemma of what I call "orphan documents." Those are docs ignored by both sides, the deniers and the mainstream historians. "Orphan documents" were things you had to find on your own.

For example, the Korherr Report - one of the most important documents of the Holocaust, yet generally unused and un-cited by both sides.

Dr. Richard Korherr was Himmler's statistician. In 1942 he was commissioned by Himmler to compile a down-to-the-last-Jew report detailing how many Jews had been killed, how many had fled, and how many were still alive (and where). This wasn't a public document; it was Himmler's-eyes-only (with a condensed version prepared for Hitler).

Himmler wanted exact figures.

Korherr, with unfettered access to all SS documents, definitively concluded that as of the beginning of 1943, slightly over 2.4 million Jews had been killed in the Reinhard camps, the Ostland ghettoes (which functioned as death camps), and by the Einsatzgruppen execution squads.

You'd think that Himmler's official death census would be in *every* Holocaust book. But no. "Great" scholars like Yad Vashem's Yehuda Bauer rarely if ever cite it

(in his 1982 magnum opus *A History of the Holocaust*, Bauer doesn't cite Korherr once).

Deniers never cite Korherr either.

Amazing, huh? With the Mao and Stalin death toll, we're forced to roughly calculate the figure via demographic extrapolation. But with the Holocaust, we have the main perpetrator, Himmler, commissioning a *specific census* of the murdered. A *number*. Everyone agrees it's a legit document, yet few use it.

Why?

Because if you accept 2.4 million for the beginning of 1943, you cannot get to six million by April 1945. From '43 to '45, there would simply not be enough Jews subjected to "aktions" to get to 6 mil. Every mainstream scholar agrees that by the close of 1942, two-thirds of all Holocaust deaths had already occurred. So Korherr's figure presents a problem.

That's why I put my approximate figure of total Holocaust dead at 3.5 to 3.6 million. But not six. You simply cannot get to six in the two remaining years of the war.

Meanwhile, deniers won't accept a figure above 271,000. Accepting 2.4 million by 1943? That blasphemes the tenets of their cult. It *can't* be more than 300,000, period! Their pseudo-religion dictates it.

So the Korherr Report, being too low a number for the mainstream and too high for the deniers, gets buried. I had to find all this shit out for myself *with no fucking Internet*, dudes. So again I say, two years pre-Internet is not that long a time to get into something, learn some things, make some mistakes, learn from the mistakes, and get out.

And lest you think my estimate of 3.5-3.6 million is a crime of denial, I'll point out that Gerald Reitlinger, in his 1953 masterwork *The Final Solution* (still considered the gold standard in the field), gave, for the final death count, a range of 4.1 to 4.5 million. There's not much space between my 3.6 and Reitlinger's 4.1, and I'm always open to anyone who can defend Reitlinger's number, or even Hilberg's 5.1 mil. But as I said, the extremists who despise me, and the extremists who idolize me, share a similar trait - they like speaking *about* me but never *to* me.

I want to make one more point, relating to the above text. The two extremes in this matter - I wouldn't call it a "debate" because deniers have nothing *to* debate, but the two extremes are, odd as this may sound, comfortable with each other. I know that sounds weird, as the two "sides" *despise* each other. But they *know* each other, they know each other's weaknesses. They know how to "dunk" on each other. It's the inadvertent camaraderie of familiar enemies. But the ***six mil and not one less*** and the ***300,000 and not one more*** inflexibles don't really know what to do with a guy like me. It's not that I'm "middle ground;" the Holocaust as commonly taught is 90% accurately taught. But I do have certain differences with the mainstream narrative (which I listed in my banned book, and perhaps in my next long-form Substack piece I'll outline them again, with updates).

Hence the desire of both extremes to keep me in 1992; it's their shared comfortable battlefield.

Here's a fun fact: Amazon banned my 2014 book, but my 1992 IHR propaganda film is still available there. Ain't that a kick in the testies? I sure as hell didn't put it up; I renounced any rights to that stupid thing decades ago. But somebody listed it, and Amazon's fine with it. But my very reasonable 2014 book? Banned.

Fun fact #2: Google "David Cole" and "Holocaust" and 7 of the first 10 search results are my 1992 work. Nothing I've done recently. Second page of results, same thing — 7 out of 10. My old stuff gets boosted like hell on Google, but

nothing I've done since 1994 is up there until *waaaaay* down the line (I double-checked on Tor to make sure I wasn't seeing results unique to my browser).

Everyone likes 1992 Dave, either as an "ally" or a *bitter foe*! Everyone likes it that way. Everyone but me.

THE CHRONOLOGY

Anyway, let's jump into that chronology. I'm only using things that can be verified via non-revisionist/denier sources.

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June 1995

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Okay, why have I made such a big deal out of pointing out that this stuff was from late '94 and the first half of '95? Because the death threat from Irv Rubin and the JDL — the $25,000 "bounty" they put on my head — was posted to the JDL website in December 1997, over two-and-a-half years *later*.

It's a denier myth that the JDL threatened me and I "cucked." By June 1995, I was *done*. *Done* with revisionists, *done* with the "movement." I was publicly affirming the Reinhard exterminations, I was affirming gas chambers, I was explaining that the Auschwitz swimming pool and "wooden doorths" were irrelevant to the gassing question, I was copping to errors I'd made over the previous two years, I was calling out deniers for their fraud, and I was calling out my own youthful hubris. I was also explaining that I saw nothing wrong in *evolving* on an issue. At such a young age, that's *fine*.

My God though, if I'd have known back then that nobody on either side of the debate would ever let me leave 1992, I'd have put a gun in my mouth.

Honestly, if I knew I'd be held here for eternity, I never would've said one fucking word about the Holocaust.

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TO CONCLUDE...

I am not a denier, and if you *read my work* you'll know that. More than not being a denier, I've been attacking denial since 1994.

It's not 1992 anymore. I split from the revisionist scene in '94 after it drifted into denial. I split from it openly, admitting my youthful errors. That was thirty fucking years ago, and I'm sick and tired of people using me as a commodity to support their pro-denial or anti-denial obsessions.

But I'll never get any mercy on this. No mercy, no empathy. No escape from 1992.

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